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1. DURING 31ST SESSION OF INTERNATIONAL OLIVE OIL COUNCIL (IOOC) LAST WEEK GOS EXPORT CONTROLS ON OLIVE OIL SUBJECT CONSIDERABLE DISCUSSION. COUNCIL ECONOMIC ADVISOR, FORCELLA NOTED ABSENCE ITALIAN DELEGATION AND IMPLIED THEY WERE BOYCOTTING CONFERENCE DUE SPANISH EXPORT EMBARGO APPLIED IN OCT. MR. FORCELLA, ITALIAN NATIONAL, STATED HE WAS NOT SPEAKING FOR GOI BUT LAUNCHED TIRADE AGAINST SPANISH RESTRICTIONS AS BEING INCONSISTENT WITH OLIVE OIL AGREEMENT AND DISCRIMINATORY IN NATURE BY ASSESSING HIGHER TAXES ON "LAMPANTE" OIL AND SHIPMENTS IN BULK CONTAINERS.

2. SPAIN RECEIVED SOME SUPPORT FROM ARAB DELEGATES (TUNISIA AND ALGERIA) AND IOCC DIRECTOR DENIS WHO NOTED THAT ITALIANS SHOULD BE PRESENT TO DISCUSS THEIR PROBLEMS WITH OTHER MEMBERS. SPANISH DELEGATE NOTED THAT RECENT MEASURES ELIMINATING PRICE CONTROLS IN INTERNAL MARKET
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REQUIRED TEMPORARY EXPORT CONTROLS TO PROTECT DOMESTIC

SUPPLIES. CURRENT HIGHER PRICES MAY MAKE SUCH CONTROLS UNNECESSARY IN FUTURE, HOWEVER. ALSO STATED THAT LICENSES PENDING OF 15-20,000 TONS WERE STILL VALID AND NEW DECREE PERMITS EXPORTS OF ADDITIONAL 35,000 TONS FROM NEW CROP. PRICE CONTROLS HAVE BEEN CONTINUED FOR SEED OILS AND SPANISH DELEGATE STATED THEY HAVE ALREADY NOTED A SHIFT IN DEMAND TO SEED OILS -- PARTICULARLY SOY BEAN OIL. GREEK DELEGATE SAID THEY HAD ALSO APPLIED PROVISIONAL EXPORT RESTRICTIONS ON OLIVE OIL TO RESTRAIN PRICE INCREASES.

3. WITH REGARD TO OVERALL SUPPLY PICTURE SPAIN INDICATED THAT REDUCED PRODUCTION FIGURE SHOWN FOR SPAIN IN IOOC TABLE (325,000 TONS) MIGHT STILL BE ON HIGH SIDE. FORCELLA STATED THAT PROVISIONAL FIGURE FOR 1974/75 ITALIAN CROP (400,000 TONS) WAS CONSIDERABLY UNDERESTIMATED AS HE FORE- SAW POSSIBILITY OF A RECORD CROP.

4. NEXT SEASON IOOC SCHEDULED APR 14-18, 1975 IN MADRID.
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